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## **STRAFFORD MAN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Strafford, Mo., man, was sentenced in federal court today for sexual exploitation of a child for the purpose of producing child pornography.

**Danny G. Wolfe**, 41, of Strafford, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Otrrie D. Smith this afternoon to 15 years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Wolfe** to remain on supervised release, following the completion of that sentence, for the rest of his life, and to forfeit to the government the following items removed from a semi-truck owned by TRL Trucking Company in Mount Vernon, Mo., which formerly employed **Wolfe** as a driver: 155 floppy disks, 74 commercial compact disks, two audio books on tape, eight commercial VCR movies and 34 recordable compact disks. The forfeiture also includes two HP Pavilion computers, two digital cameras and seven compact disks removed from **Wolfe's** residence on Sept. 30, 2003.

On March 2, 2005, **Wolfe** pleaded guilty to charges contained in an Aug. 11, 2004, federal indictment. **Wolfe** admitted that he used an underage female to make photographs depicting her engaged in sexually explicit conduct beginning as early as 2001 and continuing until September 2003. The victim was 12 years old at the beginning of that period and 14 years old at the end of that period. Some of those photographs, Graves said, included images of the underage female engaged in sex acts with **Wolfe**. According to Graves, **Wolfe** possessed over 600 images of child pornography.

**Wolfe** transported some of these child pornography images in his interstate travel as a truck driver. **Wolfe** also admitted that he took the girl with him on his interstate travel as a long haul truck driver in the summer of 2003, intending to commit sexual acts with her during their travel.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard E. Monroe. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Mount Vernon, Mo., Police Department, and the Strafford, Mo., Police Department, with the assistance of the Missouri Division of Family Services.

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